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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir,

In response to a first Office Action mailed on January 10, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Authorization is given to charge the **fee of \$740** to Deposit Account 12-2368. The amount represents the following fees:

Three month extension for filing a response pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) \$510

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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